

I pay for a service, XM Radio, because local stations can't offer me what I want. If I am willing to pay for it, why shouldn't I be able to get what I want? It's the American way. If the competition is creeping in on you, get better and move ahead, not try to squash an upstart. Beyond that, if you tune into local stations anymore, you get nationally syndicated radio shows anyway. What's the difference if I get service from a broadcast that comes from Washington, D.C. via space, or when I travel, I can get a broadcast of local DJ's or shows on a "terrestrial" broadcast?

FM get better! AM get better! Then, XM will have to get better, too! And if that means locally aimed broadcasts, so be it.

Currently if I want the traffic or weather, I get an abbreviated version on the local stations. XM offers what I want, when I want it. AND, it's current! The local stations broadcast the same reports over and over again. How frustrating! XM gives me ALL the traffic, not just the same areas all the time. I KNOW that the Beltway is backed up. I KNOW that the "Mixing bowl" is backed up. You don't have to tell me every ten minutes "on the eights" that the 270 split is backed up. Tell me when it's NOT backed up, like XM does.

FCC, Congress, NAB: Leave XM alone, unless it's by getting better and beating them at their own game!